5 Procurement & Work Practices

- Redesigned and implemented Town web pages to improve customer service, information availability, reduce cost and improve efficiency and effectiveness.
- Utilizing 30% recycled content copier/printer paper and other recycled office products where cost effective.
- Implemented internet auction sales for recycling and revenue generation of surplus vehicles and equipment.
- Recycle scrap metal and other various materials at Town Transfer Station for revenue.
- Initiated new procedures and policies to reduce energy consumption used by computer hardware, i.e., defaulting of printers to duplexing.
- Enhanced mail processing procedures for incoming and outgoing mail resulting in greater efficiency and reduced "junk-mail."
- Employ green cleaning practices and products to maintain Town facilities including the purchase of chemicals certified by Green Seal, EcoLogo, or the California Air Resources Board, as appropriate.
- Installed bike racks at various Town facilities allowing residents to choose non-motorized means of transportation.
- Procure new appliances and office equipment with Energy Star ratings.
- Implemented environmentally friendly procedures for Integrated Pest Control. (Facilities and Grounds)
- Utilize Smart Systems (paper towel dispensers, soap dispensers, faucets, toilets and lighting) to reduce waste.
- Utilize environmentally friendly building products such as paint, sheetrock, insulation, floor coverings, window treatments, etc.
- Purchase products that use recycled materials for park amenities such as benches.
- Recycle toner cartridges back through the office products supplier to be refurbished.
- Purchase electricity, natural gas and motor fuels through competitive cooperative purchasing programs; participate in other government co-ops when in the Town's best interest.

5 Procurement & Work Practices, continued

- Identify and replace mercury thermostats throughout Town buildings.
- Educate Town employees on power saving initiatives.
- Implemented electronic storage of documents, as practicable.
- Installed reminder message on all Town emails "Please consider the environment before printing a copy of this email."
- Automated numerous work practices to reduce paper & postage and improve efficiency, including:
 - Bids/proposals and bid tabulations are posted on the Town's website for vendors to download directly saving staff resources, consumables, and postage.
 - Poveloped a section of the website dedicated to the Town's Green Initiatives.
 - Timplemented E-Recording of Land Records (Level 1 only).
 - Implemented computerized program scheduling at the Riverfront Community Center.
 - Implemented computerized decentralized time and attendance for payroll in larger departments.
 - Implemented computerized project accounting system to track recreation activity revenue and costs to eliminate redundant record keeping and allow electronic import of revenue postings to the accounting system.
 - Transferred paper copies of assessment records dating back to 1964 to electronic media and now available on the Town's website. Original records have been recycled.
 - Implemented on-line building permit applications allowing homeowners and contractors to apply for building permits without having to visit Town Hall.
 - Publish the library newsletter electronically, allowing virtually unlimited distribution.
 - Implemented new user-friendly Geographic Information System (GIS) web site for staff and residents.
 - Converted paper forms to electronic format for use in Town operations, as practicable.